

**President, James A. Hoffman, called the April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021, meeting of the Library Board to order at 4:00 pm.**

**Present:** Trish Burnett, Lynn Colgan, Sheryl Hanson, James A. Hoffman, Jim Jannes, Steve Strupp, Van Thompson and Debbie VanderBeke.

**Zoom:** None

**Also Present:** Laura Long, Library Director and Tami Cox, Assistant Library Director

**Consent Agenda:** Minutes from the March 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting, purchase card, Square, East Moline Public Library Foundation at the Moline Foundation and bills were approved. Van Thompson made a motion to approve the consent agenda and Debbie VanderBeke seconded.

Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** The April budget vs. actual report from the City of East Moline was presented. We will be receiving a new Grant Fund report every month. Money in the amount of \$1.75 million was transferred into this account to pay expenses for the new building until the first installment is received from the state grant.

**Library Report:** see attached.

**Business:** The gift agreement between the Baecke Family and the library was discussed. Debbie VanderBeke made a motion to accept the agreement and Van Thompson seconded. Motion was passed.

Laura discussed other foundation/donor updates. Jim Jannes said that Mr. Ontiveros will be donating \$5000.00 to the project. Jim Jannes also asked Laura to reach out to Mr. Hallene.

There was some discussion about naming opportunities in the new library. Laura will be sending out an update with a list of rooms/items to be named.

Yard signs have been ordered and will be available at the May 6<sup>th</sup> groundbreaking. They will sell for \$20.00.

Laura presented an update on the loan/mortgage documents. Van Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution 21-05 and Resolution 21-06 authorizing the library to execute a loan or mortgage in an amount not to exceed 75% of the value of the complete building and not to exceed 20 years, these also authorize the library director to execute the documents relating to the loan or mortgage. Jim Jannes seconded.

Trish Burnett – yes

James A. Hoffman – yes

Van Thompson - yes

Lynn Colgan – yes

Jim Jannes – yes

Debbie VanderBeke - yes

Sheryl Hanson – yes

Steve Strupp – yes

Motion carried by roll call.

There was discussion about continuing library services to the Hampton Public Library District for another year. Sheryl Hanson motioned that we should continue those services and Van Thompson seconded. Motion was passed.

Laura presented an update on the abatement removal in the new building. When they removed the ceilings in the basement there were some hot pipes, etc. that will have to be taken out. There is also asbestos in the linoleum in the vault and on the second floor. Those things are being addressed. The glass surrounding the mezzanine was not safety glass like was thought but actual plate glass that will have to be replaced, depending on price we will be replacing it with safety glass and/or drywall. The abatement process will hopefully be finished this week.

When the bank donated the lots to the library, we were to receive 9 ½ lots, but when the bank was deeded over to us, we only received 8 lots. This will result in a loss of 2-3 parking spots.

There was a discussion about the adjusted contract with Concord. Due to the handling of the bid process we will be receiving a credit in our contract for \$1360.00.

Laura brought up the fact that we would like to go fine free, it was discussed and Laura will bring a policy to the next board meeting for further discussion.

Discussion was had about an alternate requestor for release of funds from TBK Bank. Laura will be the primary and James A. Hoffman will be the alternate.

It was decided that we will meet in person at the library for the next board meeting, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021, there will be no Zoom option.

**President's items:** None

**Other:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Items to be placed on the May 24<sup>th</sup> agenda:** Election of Officers, Fine Free Policy and evaluations.

**The meeting adjourned at 5:13 pm.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Tami Cox, Recording Secretary**

